

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: J. Michael Joseph

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For: Punch Tool for Angled Orifice

Commissioner for Patents

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Examiner: Crane, Daniel C.

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.104 (e)

Sir:

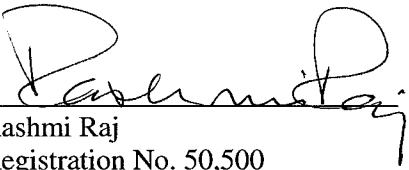
In response to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowability dated September 11, 2006, the following comments are submitted.

While applicants believe that the claims are allowable and patentably distinguish over the prior art, applicant does not acquiesce that patentability resides in each feature, exactly as expressed in the claims, nor that each and every feature is required for patentability. And, applicant submits that patentability is based on the claimed invention as a whole, and not solely on one or more particular features recited in the allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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